

# SCOTTSDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS 2019 ACTIVITIES AND REVIEW REPORT

**Commendations** **79**

**Complaints** **97**

- EXONERATED: 5
- UNFOUNDED: 85
- NOT SUSTAINED: 3
- SUSTAINED: 4

**Complaints of Bias** **9**

- SUSTAINED: 0
- UNFOUNDED: 8
- EXONERATED: 1

**Complaints of Excessive Force** **5**

- SUSTAINED: 0
- UNFOUNDED: 5

**Public comments** **80**

**Investigations** **107**

**Internal\*** **94**

- EXONERATED: 2
- UNFOUNDED: 2
- NOT SUSTAINED: 3
- SUSTAINED: 86
- MULTIPLE FINDINGS: 1

**External** **13**

- EXONERATED: 1
- UNFOUNDED: 0
- NOT SUSTAINED: 3
- SUSTAINED: 9

*\*This includes 70 investigations related to vehicle incidents for SafeCite.*

### VEHICLE INCIDENTS:

**Motor Vehicle Accidents** **19**

- AT FAULT: 3
- NOT AT FAULT: 16

**Pursuits** **2**

- IN POLICY: 1
- OUT OF POLICY: 1

### FIREARM DISCHARGES:

- DISPATCH OF ANIMAL/IN POLICY: 8
- ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE/OUT OF POLICY: 0
- OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING: 0

Internal Affairs assesses every citizen complaint, including walk-ins, phone calls, e-mails, letters. Internal Affairs monitors all complaints for biased based profiling to ensure all policies are upheld. Internal Affairs monitors employees related to training and policy compliance.

Formal investigations are generally handled by Internal Affairs and informal complaints are referred to the related supervisor or manager. Informal investigations are not assigned an IA number but are documented as citizen complaints in our internal Blue Team and IA Pro systems.

Investigative Findings: IA investigation findings are classified in one of the following ways:

- Exonerated: Evidence tends to support the factual occurrence, but the conduct does not appear improper.
- Misconduct Not Based on Complaint – Sustained: Substantiated misconduct not alleged in the complaint but disclosed during the investigation.
- Policy Failure: Investigation revealed the allegation is accurate, however the employee's conduct was consistent with department policy.
- Not Sustained: Insufficient evidence exists either to prove or disprove the allegation(s) of misconduct.
- Sustained: Preponderance of the evidence supports the allegation(s) of misconduct.
- Unfounded: Evidence tends to disprove allegation(s) of misconduct.

If in the instance an allegation of a biased-based complaint is sustained, disciplinary actions will result.

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